Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Delbert L. Rippe's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Rippe has devoted over 40 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a Maintenance Management NCO and leader in the Maintenance field, including support of Operation Enduring Freedom and many state activations in support of blizzard and flood-relief operations; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Rippe continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Delbert L. Rippe for over 40 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 14, 2012, as

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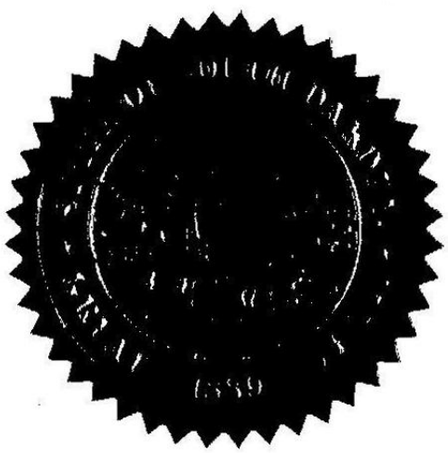
DELBERT L. RIPPE DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State